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- 1. RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVES OF SOUTH AND NORTH MET FOR ONE HOUR FIFTY MINUTES AT PANMUNJOM MARCH 11. EACH SIDE WAS REPRESENTED BY ONE DELEGATE AND ONE LIAISON OFFICER.
- 2. ACCORDING TO ROK RADIO ACCOUNTS, ROK DELEGATE KIM TAL-SUL REPEATED DEMAND HE HAD MADE AT PREVIOUS MEETING THAT NORTH RETURN ABDUCTED BOAT AND CREW. HE AGAIN CALLED FOR EIGHTH PLENARY MEETING IN SEOUL APRIL 9. NORTH REPLIED AS BEFORE THAT THE BOATS WERE IN FACT SPY SHIPS AND REITERATED ONCE AGAIN ITS POSITION THAT EIGHTH SESSION CANNOT BE HELD UNLESS NORTH'S THREE CRITERIA ARE MET: I.E., UNLESS THE SOUTH ELIMINATES NON-RED CROSS OFFICIALS FROM ITS DELEGATION, STOPS ITS REPRESSION OF STUDENTS, AND PERMITS THE SESSION TO BE HELD IN PYONGYANG.
- 3. NORTH ALSO PRESENTED A NEW FOUR-POINT PROPOSAL TO (A) HOLD PRELIMINARY TALKS AT PANMUNJOM TO PREPARE FOR THE PLENARY SESSION, (B) DISCUSS AGENDA FOR PLENARY AT THE PRELIMINARY TALKS AND TO CONTINUE TO DISCUSS THE NORTH'S THREE CRITERIA, UNCLASSIFIED

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(C) EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF ROK-CIA FROM THE PRELIMINARY TALKS,

AND (D) KEEP THE PRELIMINARY TALKS GOING UNTIL THE PLENARY OPENS.

4. ROK SIDE PROPOSED ANOTHER DELEGATES' MEETING FOR MARCH 25. NORTH COUNTER-PROPOSED APRIL 9. NO AGREEMENT ON DATE WAS REACHED. HABIB

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